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**NCRA announces new identity THEFT protection Program**

*National Consumer Reporting Association and Industry Leader, NXG Strategies,
join forces to serve consumers nationwide*

**May 23, 2014 (Roselle, IL)** — The National Consumer Reporting Association (NCRA), a national trade organization of consumer reporting agencies and associated professionals that provide products and services to hundreds of thousands of mortgage lenders, landlords, employers and other types of general businesses, is proud to announce that it has entered into a strategic partnership with NXG Strategies, LLC to provide Fraud-DefenderSM for NCRA Members. NXG Strategies is an innovative, nationwide provider and creator of this concierge-level “fully-managed” identity theft research and remediation program for consumers. NCRA Members participating in the program will offer their consumers tremendous value and peace of mind by including — at no additional cost — NXG’s Fraud-Defender services in the application process for a residential lease, mortgage loan or employment.

For the 14th consecutive year, identity theft-related issues emerge as the top consumer complaints reported to the FTC. In 2013 and so far in 2014, multiple, high-profile data breach incidents have caused millions of additional consumers to have their personally identifying information to be compromised. Consumers need proactive and responsive solutions to identity theft and fraud. Fraud-Defender services include access to a team of licensed Recovery Advocates to research, document and remediate identity fraud incidents for the consumer, to restore their good name, no matter how long it takes.

Terry Clemans, NCRA Executive Director, said, “Everyone I meet knows someone who has been a victim of identity theft and has heard horror stories about the fallout associated with it. An FTC study reported that 10% of identity theft victims spend more than 55 hours and $1,200 in the process of restoring their credit. With Fraud-Defender, the recovery efforts are transferred from the consumer to their Recovery Team, allowing the individual to remain focused on their daily lives, should they become a victim.”

“This partnership between NCRA and NXG brings a high level of integrity to the identity theft services industry,” said Sally King, Managing Partner at NXG Strategies, LLC, “by extending the reach of a high-quality, effective identity fraud solution to consumers who may not be adequately prepared to fight for their good name.”

The NCRA-sponsored Fraud-Defenderprogram will be introduced at several upcoming conferences and trade shows in June. Property Managers, Mortgage Lenders and Employment Screening Companies working with NCRA Members for their consumer reporting needs will now be able to offer one year of protection, and the peace of mind that comes with it, as an added benefit to the application process. Consider Fraud-Defender as a special “thank you” gift for considering an NCRA member as the provider of your consumer rental property or mortgage lending credit needs. Companies interested in the Fraud-Defender program should contact Terry Clemans or Jan Gerber at the NCRA office at 630-539-1525.

To find area participating providers, visit www.ncrainc.org.

**About NXG Strategies, LLC**

NXG Strategies, LLC, founded in 2005 and a pioneer in identity fraud remediation, is an innovative designer and manufacturer of needs-based, identity fraud protection and data breach response services for consumers and businesses.

NXG has led the industry with quality services and innovative strategies for distributing low cost, high value programs through partnerships with the finest companies in the nation. NXG’s programs include fully managed identity fraud research, remediation and recovery services as well as complete response plans for data breach incidents. With a full suite of solutions, NXG Strategies effectively serves to address strategic needs of sponsoring organizations.

**About National Consumer Reporting Association (NCRA)**

Founded in 1992, the National Consumer Reporting Association, (NCRA - Formerly National Credit Reporting Association, Inc.) is a national trade organization of consumer reporting agencies and associated professionals that provide products and services to hundreds of thousands of mortgage lenders and property managers who use consumer reports for housing decisions.

Headquartered in the Chicago suburb of Roselle, Illinois, NCRA's Membership includes 70% of the mortgage credit reporting agencies in the United States that can produce a credit report that meets the requirements of Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac and HUD for mortgage lending. NCRA’s fastest growing Membership category is tenant screening firms due to NCRA focus on housing issues and the education programs designed for multifamily housing needs.

“Fraud-Defender” is a service mark of NXG Strategies, LLC.